

Noted Bay Area Architect Carl I. Warnecke Dies at 80

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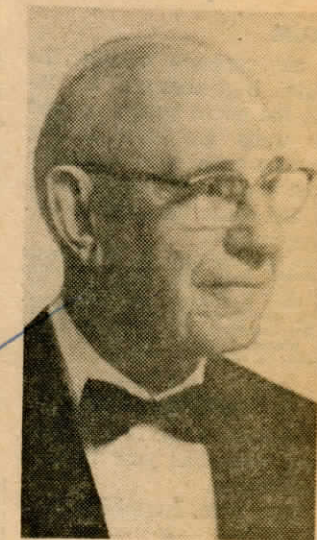
Carl I. Warnecke, noted Eastbay architect who designed Oakland's State Office Building and Public Library is dead at the age of 80.

Mr. Warnecke, who lived in Piedmont, was the father of John Carl Warnecke, head of an architectural firm with offices in San Francisco, New York, Washington and Rome.

Mr. Warnecke suffered a heart attack Saturday night after dining at the Bank of America headquarters' 16th floor restaurant in San Francisco. The building was designed by his son's firm.

Mr. Warnecke was born in Montreal, Canada, but his family moved to San Francisco shortly before the earthquake of 1906.

He worked as an apprentice in San Francisco for such architects as Arthur Brown Jr. and Bernard Maybeck. He had a hand in designing San



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Francisco's domed city hall and the Palace of Fine Arts.

In 1913 he went to Paris to study at L'Ecole des Beaux

Arts, returning to San Francisco after the outbreak of World War I.

In 1917, he founded the firm of Miller and Warnecke. The firm designed the Tudor Apartments, Castlemont High School, the Oakland Public Library, the Wells Fargo Bank at 20th and Franklin Streets, and residence halls on the Berkeley campus of the University of California.

In 1950 he joined his son in the firm of Warnecke and Warnecke, which designed the Metropolitan Oakland Airport, the California State Office building and the Physics and Earth Sciences buildings at U.C. Berkeley.

Mr. Warnecke remained professionally active until his death.

He is survived by his widow, the former Margaret Esterling, a member of a pioneer Sonoma County family. The family home is at 132 Indian Road, Piedmont.

Mr. Warnecke also leaves a daughter, Mrs. Thomas M. Putnam, of Los Alamos, N.M., and two sisters, Mrs. Ludwig Huemer of Oakland and Mrs. Coleman Berwick of San Francisco.

Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. tomorrow at the Piedmont Community Church. Friends may call at the Telegraph Avenue Chapel of Grant Miller Mortuaries in Oakland until noon tomorrow.

The family prefers memorial contributions to the Children's Hospital Medical Center.